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## **All Aboard! Excursion Trains are Running Memorial Day Weekend at Railtown 1897**

***Saturday, May 26 thru Monday, May 28***

**JAMESTOWN, Calif.** – To kick off the summer season in rail-related style, popular weekend excursion trains will be running all three days of the Memorial Day holiday weekend -- May 26, 27 and 28 -- at Railtown 1897 State Historic Park (SHP) in Jamestown. As a highlight on Saturday and Sunday, the famous "Movie Star Locomotive" Sierra No. 3 will be operational and available for public viewing. And, as a special treat on Saturday, train rides behind Sierra No. 3 are available; then on Sunday, visitors have the opportunity to ride aboard the first-class No. 2901 during her season debut (for an additional cost). For all three days of the holiday weekend, the prized Caboose No. 7 will be open for tours, the historic belt shop will be in operation and entertaining live music will be offered on board the trains.

Excursion trains will depart on-the-hour from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, delighting visitors from near and far during a six-mile, 40-minute round trip ride along the rails of the famous "Movie Railroad," passing through California's scenic Gold Country.

Tickets for the weekend excursion train rides during the holiday weekend are \$13 for adults, \$6 for youths ages 6-17 and free for children five and under. All train ride tickets include Park admission and are now available for advance purchase at [www.railtown1897.org](http://www.railtown1897.org) as well as at the ticket window beginning at 10 a.m. on the day of the ride (based on availability). For visitors interested in a first-class ride aboard No. 2901 (available on Sunday only), cost is \$21 for adults, \$9 for youths ages 6-17 and kids five and under are free. First-class train rides are only available at the ticket window beginning at 10 a.m. on Sunday morning.

***About Railtown 1897 State Historic Park***

*Operated by California State Parks with assistance from the nonprofit California State Railroad Museum Foundation, Railtown 1897 State Historic Park offers year-round tours plus train rides weekends April-October (selected dates only November-December). Known as "The Movie Railroad," the Park and its trains have been featured in hundreds of feature films, TV shows, and commercials. The Park is located at the corner of Fifth Avenue and Reservoir Road in Jamestown, reached by highways 49/108. As of 1/2/12, Railtown 1897 State Historic Park is open Thursdays through Mondays (except for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day) and the Park's operating hours vary by*

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season: April-October, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; November-March, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information, call Railtown 1897 State Historic Park at (209) 984-3953, or visit our Web site at [www.railtown1897.org](http://www.railtown1897.org)

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